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SUBJECT: VIP HONDURAN TRAVEL TO UNGA

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1. Per reftel request, Poloff contacted Honduran Foreign Ministry on September 6 to verify information for Honduran government officials traveling to the UN General Assembly. The MFA clarified that the Honduran delegation coming from Honduras has been reduced to two officials. These are Foreign Minister Guillermo ((Perez-Cadalso)) Arias and Director General of Foreign Policy Mario Fortin.

2. Information on round trip travel for FonMin is keyed to reftel. DG Fortin will travel with FonMin.

A. Scheduled commercial service

B., C., and D.

Depart 9 September, 2002, Tegucigalpa, Honduras, American Airlines (AA) 954  
Arrive Miami Airport 17:36 Hours  
Depart 9 September, 2002, Miami, AA 970  
Arrive LaGuardia 22:19 Hours

Upon return from the UNGA, the FonMin's itinerary is  
Depart 20 September, 2002, LaGuardia, AA 1129, 17:35 Hours  
Arrive Miami Airport 20:39 Hours  
Depart 24 September, 2002, Miami, AA 953, 11:15 Hours

E. The GOH officials will not carry firearms and will not have official escorts.

3. FonMin ((Perez-Cadalso)) Arias lost his leg in an accident and uses a prosthesis on his left leg. This prosthesis and a number of metal pins in both legs have caused him delays in U.S. airports due to security reasons in the past. Post appreciates Department's assistance to minimize disruption in FonMin's travel.  
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